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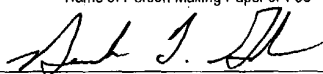
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Re: New U.S. Utility Patent Application Transmittal
For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING OPTICAL
ELEMENT MADE OF GLASS
By: Shinichi NISHIKAWA
Attorney Docket: 15162/06050

Dear Sir:

This Utility Patent Application Transmittal is submitted in connection with METHOD
OF MANUFACTURING OPTICAL ELEMENT MADE OF GLASS, by Shinichi
NISHIKAWA, inventor.

Enclosed herewith are the following:

APPLICATION ELEMENTS:

- (1) A duplicate copy of this Transmittal Letter (containing a breakdown of amount of fees due and deposit account authorization);
- (2) Specification (27 pages, including 6 claims and an abstract);
- (3) Formal Drawings (4 sheets) (Figs. 1-5B); and
- (4) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (6 pages).

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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS:

- (5) Information Disclosure Statement (3 pages);
- (6) PTO-1449 Form (1 page);
- (7) Copies of eight (8) references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement;
- (8) Assignment (2 pages) of the invention to MINOLTA CO., LTD., with attached Recordation Form Cover Sheet (1 page) (in duplicate);
- (9) Submission of Certified Copy of Priority Document (2 pages) transmitting a certified copy of Japanese Priority Document No. 2003-141005 (38 pages); and
- (10) One Return Receipt Post Card each for the following grouping of items: (1)-(4), (5)-(7), (8), and (9) above.

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